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# MAD HOUSE

WITH MY NEW  
FORMULA I SHALL  
**CONQUER  
THE WORLD!**

AFTER YOU FINISH  
DRYING THE DISHES!





# MAD HOUSE

MOST MAGAZINES GIVE YOU EITHER

OR

**BRAIN  
PAIN**

**BRAIN  
STRAIN**



ONLY **MAD HOUSE** GIVES YOU

**BRAIN**



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**SPECIAL DRIPPY ISSUE  
GUARANTEED TO BE  
ALL WET !**



SPROCKET,  
YOU'LL HAVE TO CHANGE IN THE  
OTHER PHONE BOOTH....THIS ONE IS  
RESERVED FOR *SUPER VILLAINS* !

TELEPHONE

SHH!

BAD GUY  
SECTION



IF EVER THERE  
WAS A SUPER  
VILLAIN WITH  
A NATURAL  
NOSE FOR  
VILLAINY  
IT WAS...

# THE DIGGER

HEH! HEH! I'VE  
JUST DRILLED MY  
WAY INTO THE  
VAULT OF THE  
FIRST NATIONAL  
BANK!

I LIKE TO *STICK MY  
NOSE* INTO OTHER  
PEOPLE'S BUSINESS  
...*ESPECIALLY* WHEN  
IT'S *MONEY BUSINESS!*



**EXTRA! DIGGER  
STRIKES AGAIN!**

POLICE IN  
QUANDARY  
OVER DIGGER'S  
LATEST CAPER!

WE'VE GOT TO GET  
HIM...BUT HOW?





## THE STRANGE HISTORY OF A STRANGE VILLAIN

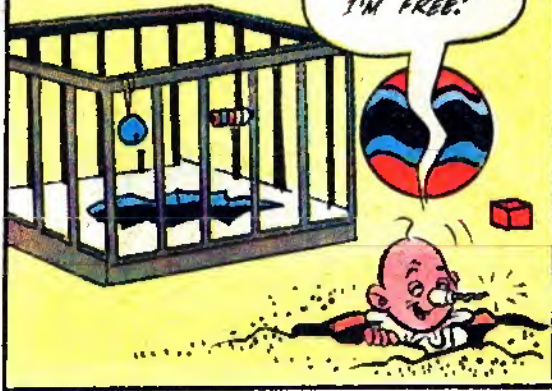
AT THE DIGGER'S BIRTH DOCTORS WERE AT A LOSS TO EXPLAIN HIS **SUPER HARD NOSE**.

OUCH! I TRIED TO SLAP HIM AND HE JABBED ME WITH HIS NOSE!



THE DIGGER STARTED OUT HIS LIFE OF MISCHIEF ALMOST FROM BIRTH...

HEH! HEH! I'M FREE!



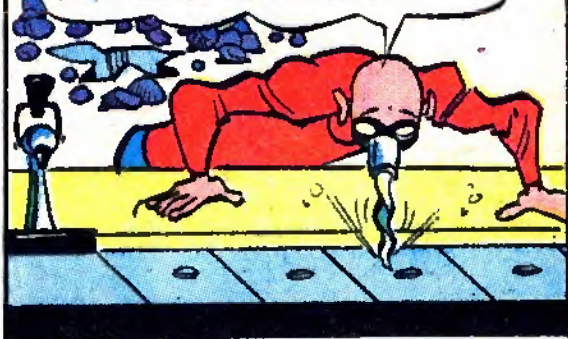
AT SCHOOL THE DIGGER CONTINUED HIS EVIL WAYS

WHY SHOULD I STUDY MY WAY THROUGH SCHOOL WHEN I CAN DIG MY WAY OUT!



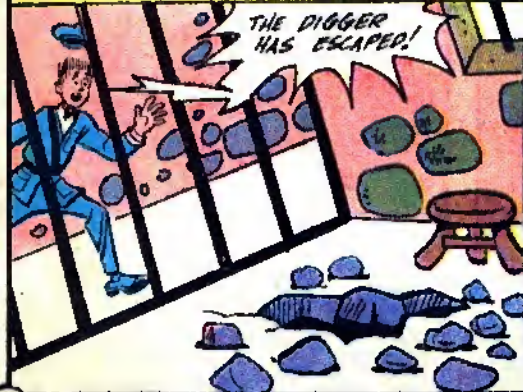
LITTLE CRIMES SOON LEAD TO BIG CRIMES AND IN NO TIME AT ALL HE WAS DIGGING HIS WAY INTO ICE CREAM PARLORS AT NIGHT!

HEH! HEH! HERE'S WHERE I TAKE A NOSEDIVE INTO VANILLA!



JAIL PRESENTED NO PROBLEM TO THE DIGGER...ALL HE HAD TO DO WAS DIG HIS WAY OUT!

THE DIGGER HAS ESCAPED!

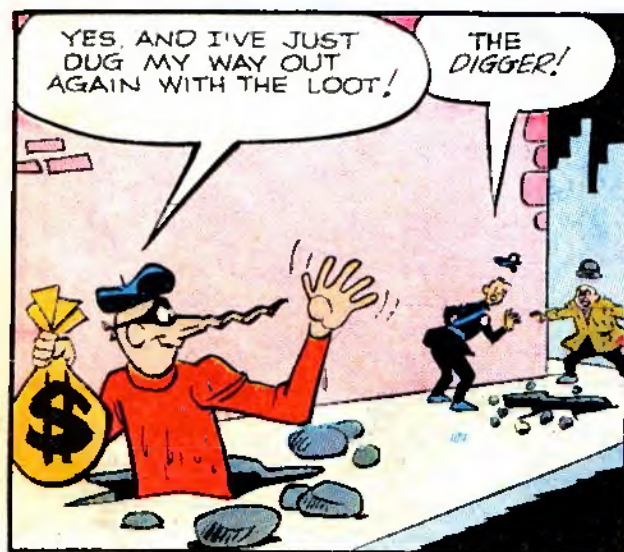
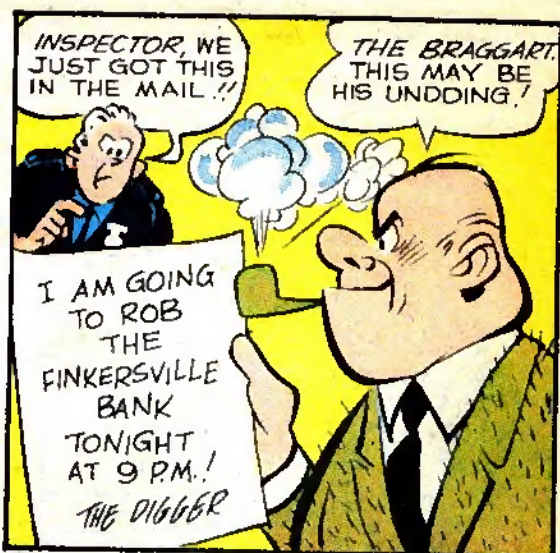
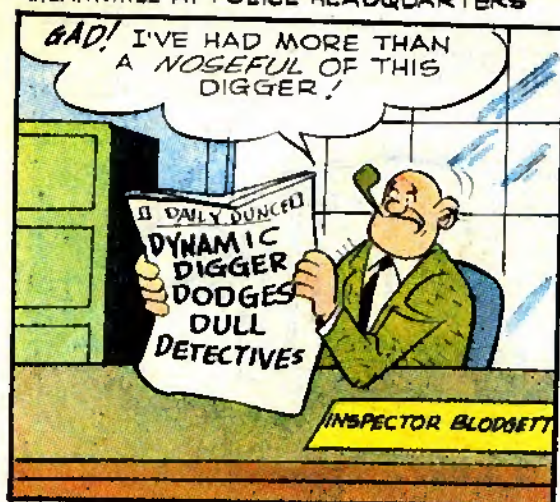


YES, IT CAN TRUTHFULLY BE SAID—I OWE MY LOOT TO MY **SNOOT!**

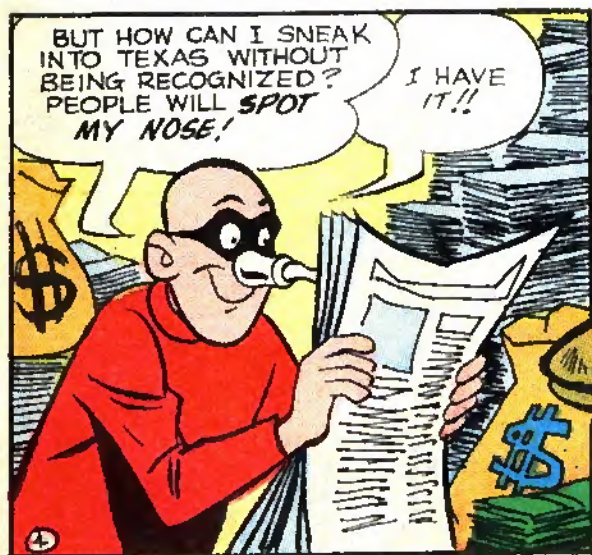
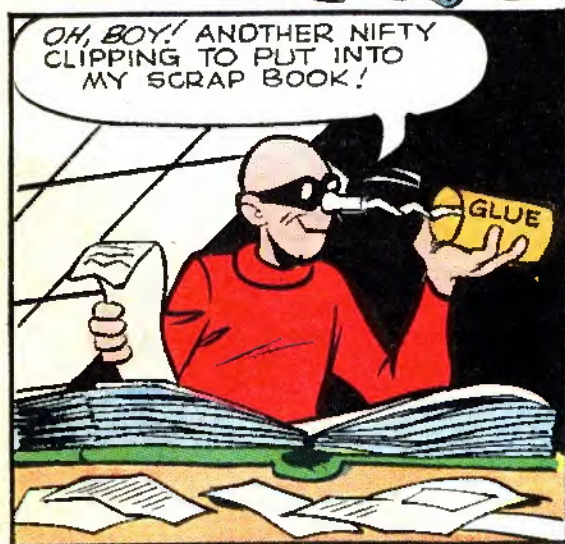




MEANWHILE AT POLICE HEADQUARTERS

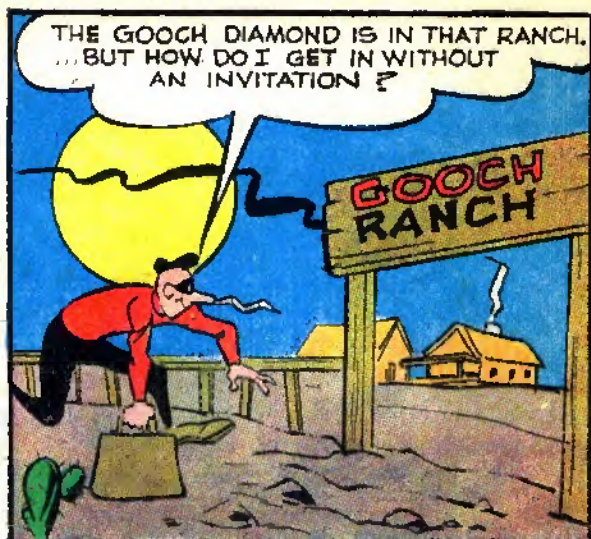




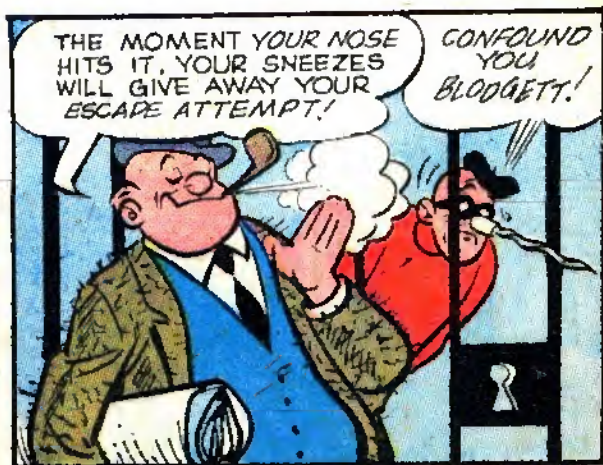
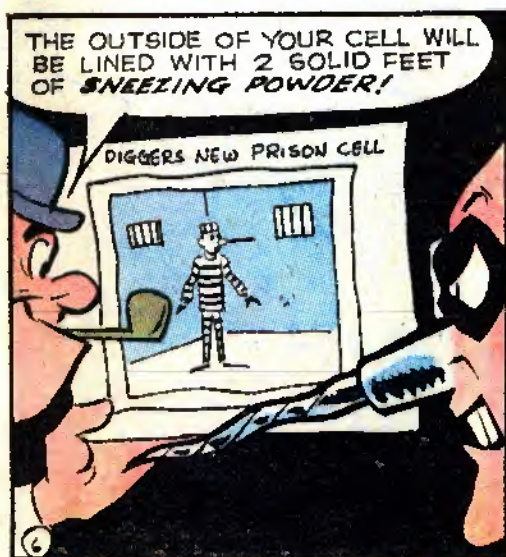
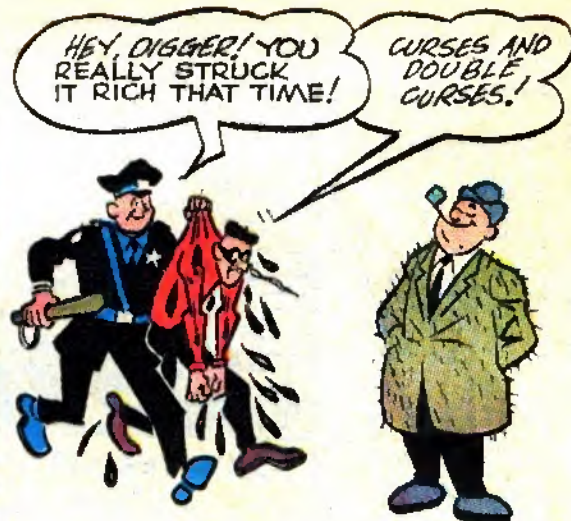




ABROAD FLIGHT 707 TO TEXAS



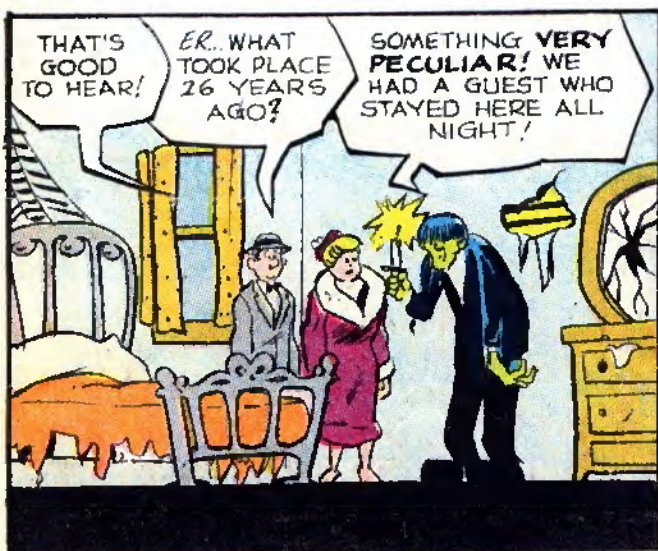
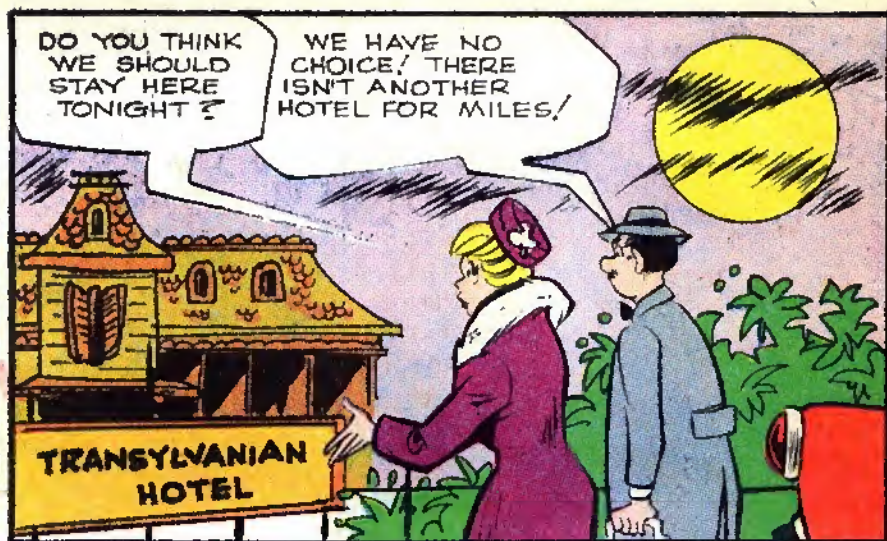




**MORAL: DON'T STICK YOUR NOSE INTO CRIME OR YOU MAY WIND UP WITH A SNOOTFUL!**



# HOTEL HANKY-PANKY





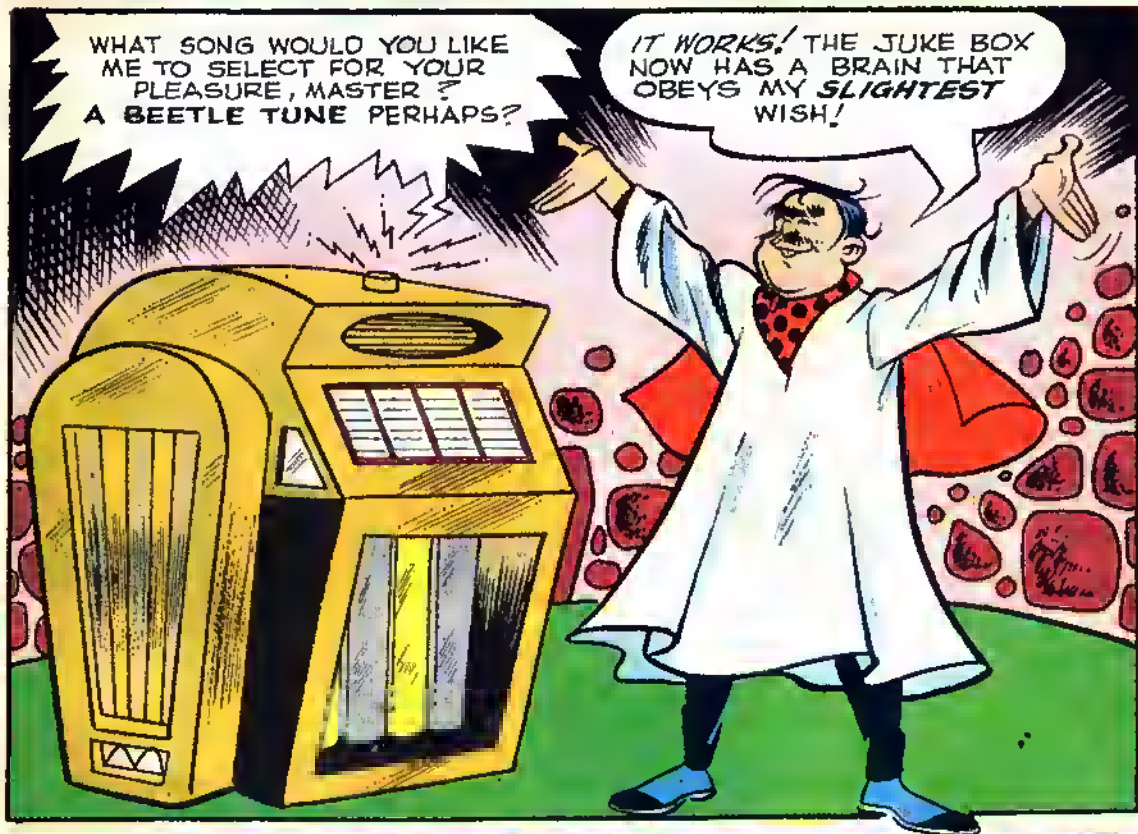
TEN YEARS I'VE SPENT  
INVENTING THIS MICRO-  
ELECTRONIC BRAIN!



... ALL I HAVE TO DO  
IS ATTACH ONE TO  
ANY OBJECT!



WHAT SONG WOULD YOU LIKE  
ME TO SELECT FOR YOUR  
PLEASURE, MASTER?  
A BEETLE TUNE PERHAPS?



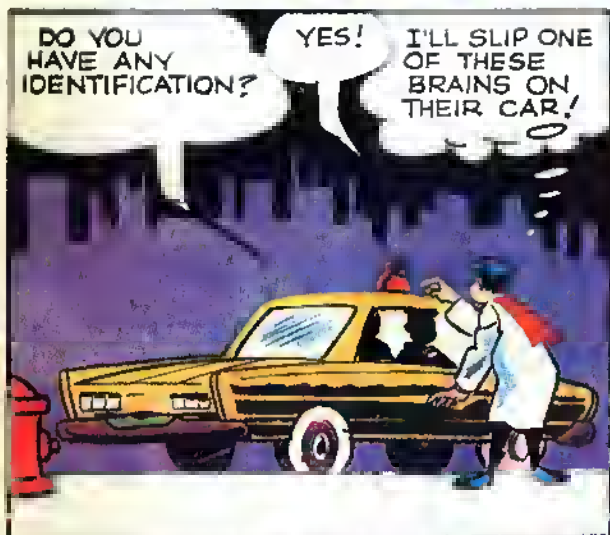
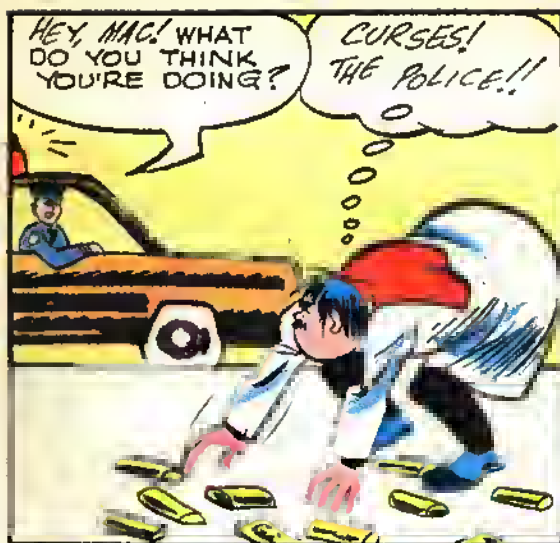
INTRODUCING THE FINKIEST VILLAIN INVENTOR OF ALL TIME

**DR. ZODIAC**  
**The SKULL SCOUNDREL**



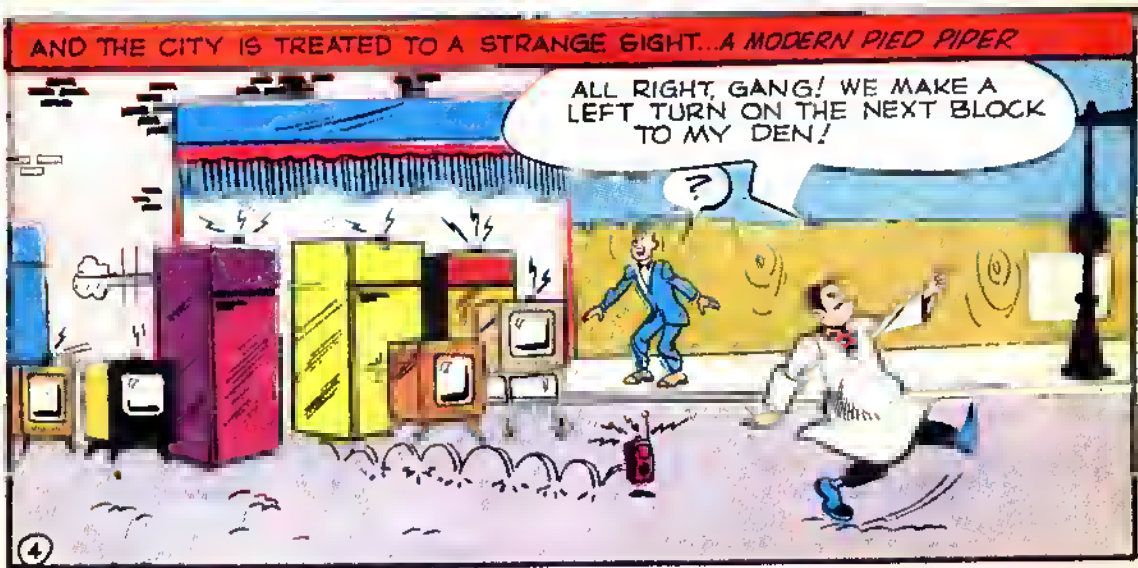
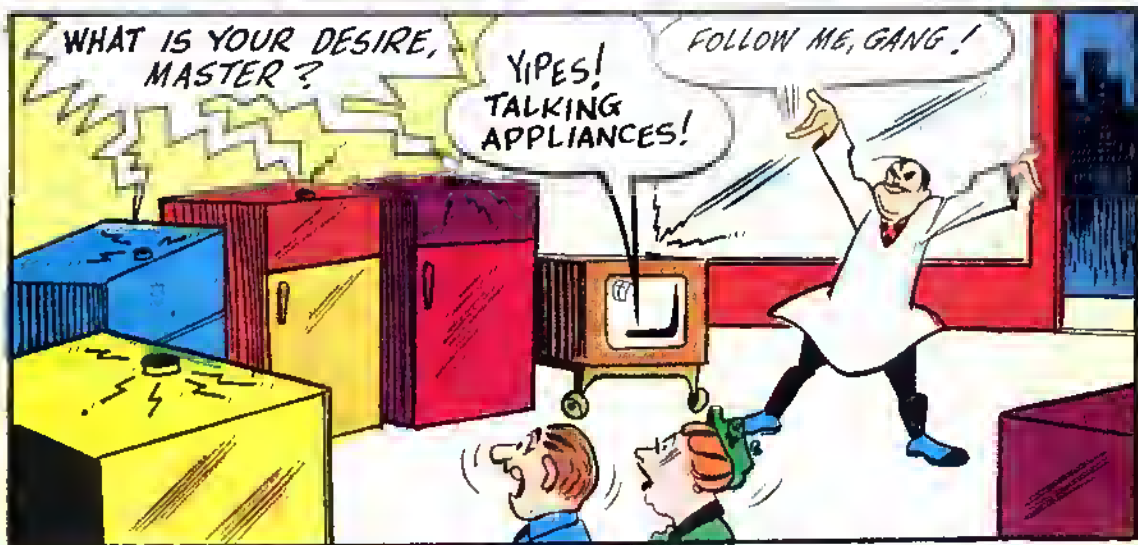
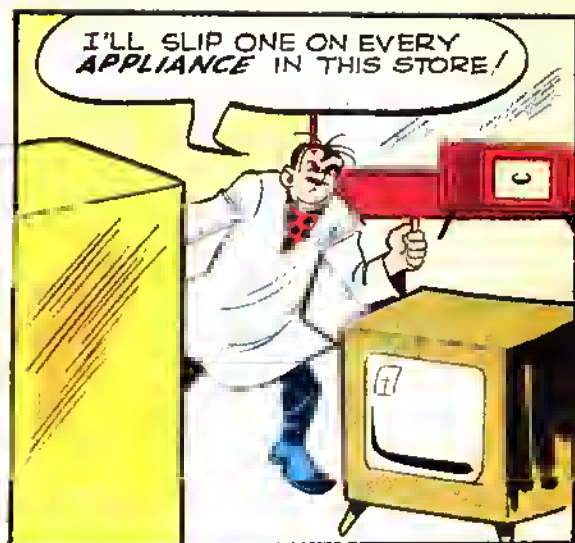
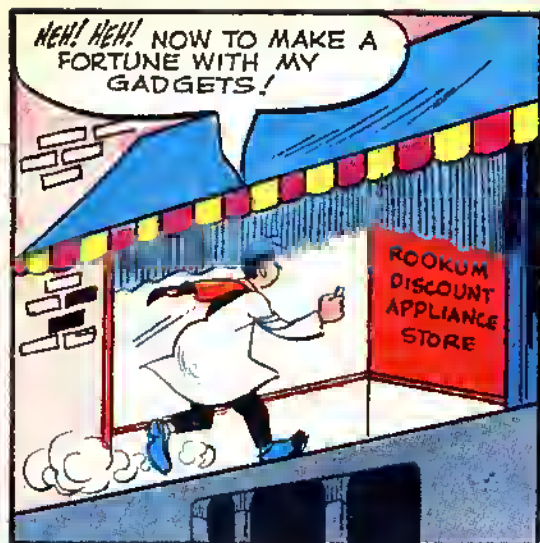






DR. ZODIAC, YOU FIEND!  
WE HOPE YOU GET YOURS!







HOLD UP,  
GANG!

UNION OF  
SUPER HEROES

THERE'S ONLY ONE ORGANIZATION  
THAT CAN STOP MY EVIL PLANS!  
---THE UNION OF SUPER HEROES!

NON-SUPER  
TYPES  
**KEEP  
OUT!**

HEH! HEH! I'LL JUST SLIP  
ONE OF MY BRAINS ON THEIR  
ELECTRONIC ASSIGNMENT  
MACHINES!

YES,  
MASTER?

ASSIGNMENT MACHINE,  
SEND ALL THE SUPER  
HEROES OFF ON  
FALSE ASSIGNMENTS!

IN NO TIME, BEDLAM REIGNS AT THE UNION OF SUPER HEROES

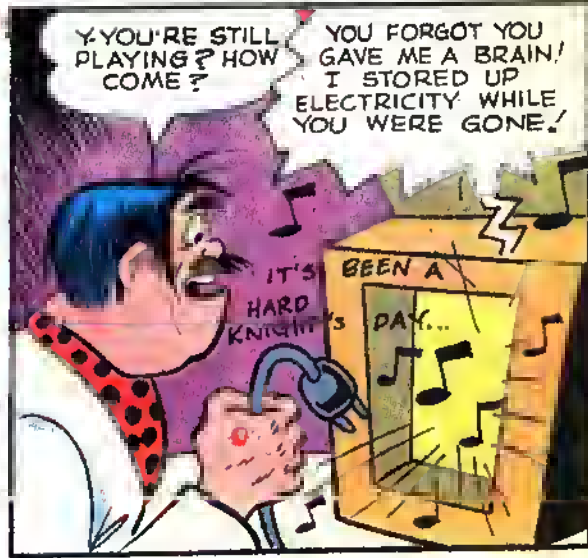
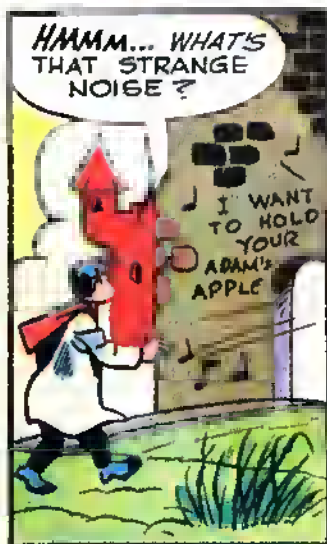
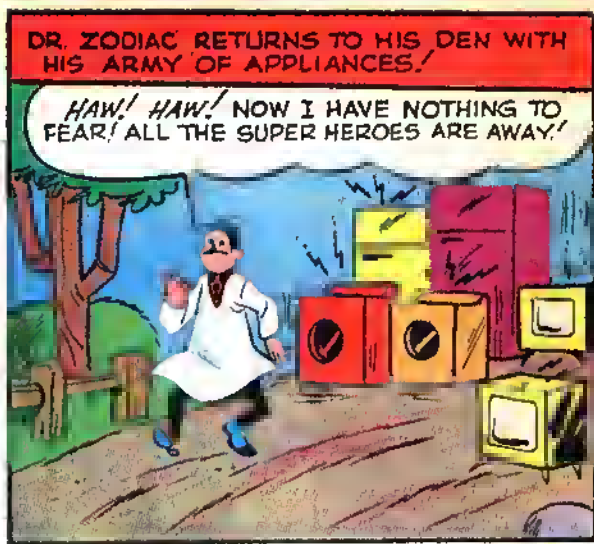
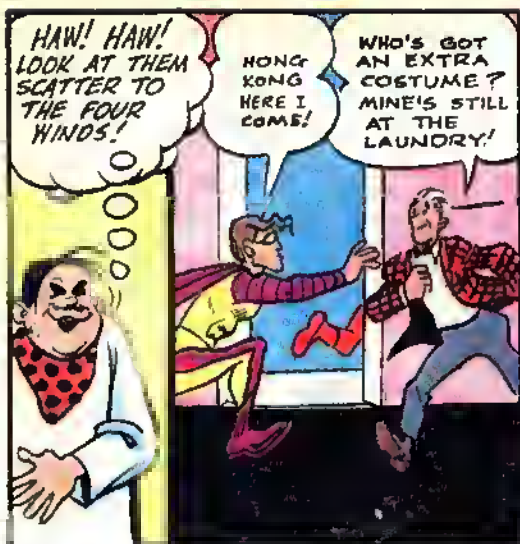
SUPER JANITOR! YOU'RE  
ASSIGNED TO CLEAN UP  
ALL THE SNOW ON THE  
SOUTH POLE!

SUPER DETERGENT MAN!  
YOU'RE ASSIGNED TO  
CLEAN UP ALL THE  
SMOG!

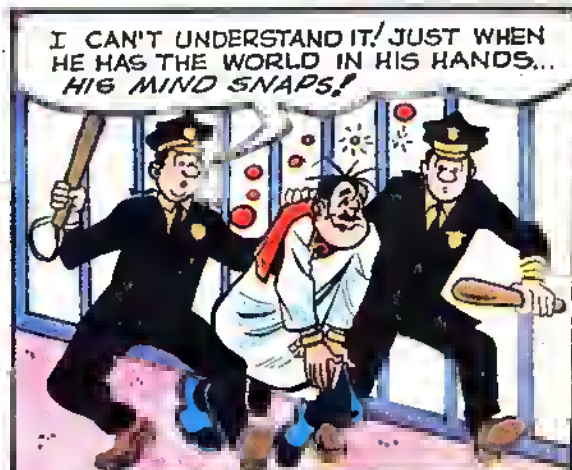
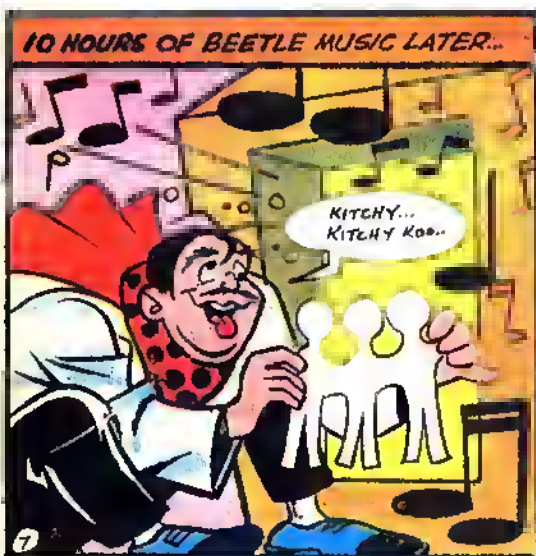
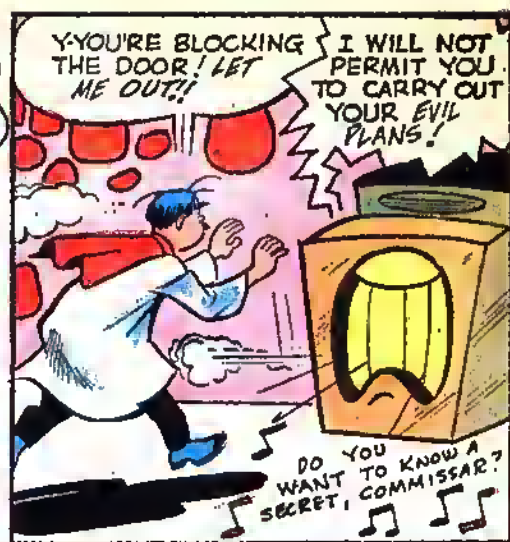
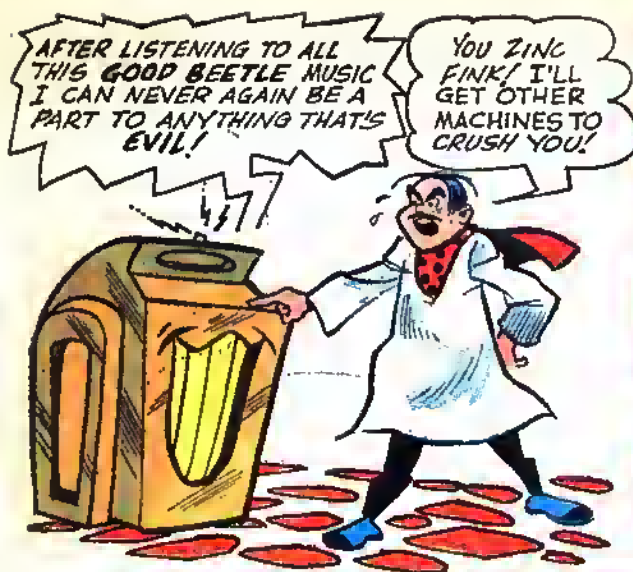
HURRY UP!  
I GOT TO  
CHANGE INTO  
MY COSTUME,  
TOO!

CRUCKLE!  
MY PLAN  
IS  
WORKING!







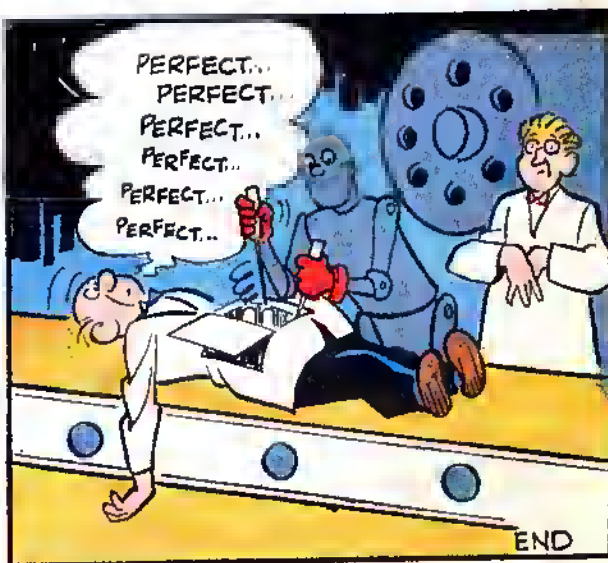
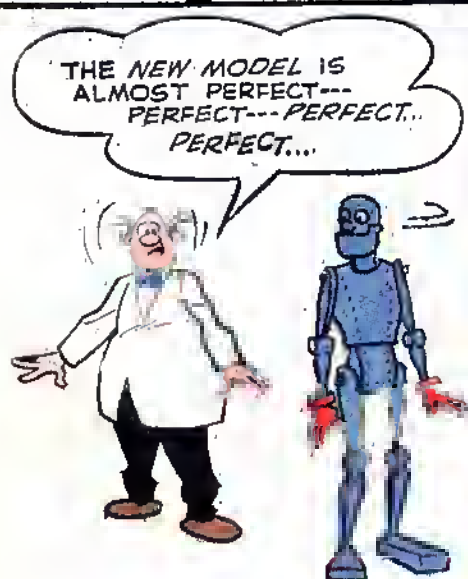
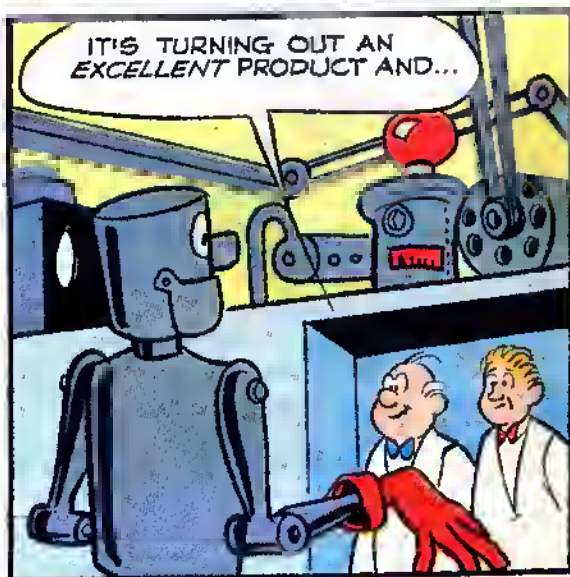
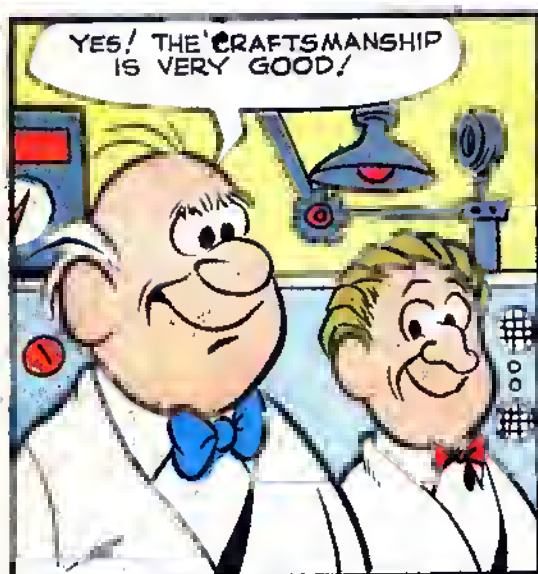
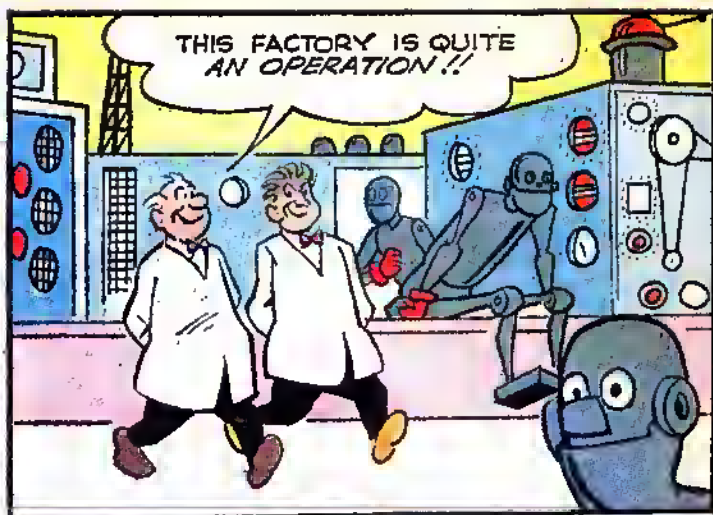


REAL: VILLAINS WHO WANT THE WORLD IN THEIR HANDS USUALLY WIND UP WITH HANDCUFFS ON THEIR HANDS.

END



# THE NEW MODEL!





DIG THIS CRAZY OFFER!

WE'LL SEND YOU  
A **FREE** COPY OF  
ARCHIE'S PALS 'N' GALS  
WITH EVERY ONE YEAR  
SUBSCRIPTION!

YOU GET FOUR  
GIANT SIZE COMICS  
**PLUS** A BIG BONUS  
ISSUE ABSOLUTELY  
**FREE!...IT'S A  
STEAL!**

LIKE FINDING  
A QUARTER!  
...AND WHO CAN'T  
USE AN EXTRA  
TWO BITS?

SO GET WITH IT!  
FILL OUT THE COUPON!  
THIS OFFER IS LIMITED AND  
WE DON'T WANT YOU TO MISS  
OUT ON OUR GIFT TO YOU!  
DON'T DELAY!...ACT **NOW!**

SEND TO ARCHIE'S PALS 'N' GALS 5 FOR 4  
ROOM 603, 241 CHURCH ST.  
NEW YORK 13, N.Y.

ENCLOSED PLEASE FIND ONE DOLLAR  
FOR THE NEXT FOUR ISSUES OF  
ARCHIE'S PALS 'N' GALS  
**PLUS A FREE BONUS ISSUE!**

NAME \_\_\_\_\_ AGE \_\_\_\_\_  
(PLEASE PRINT)

ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_

CITY \_\_\_\_\_ STATE \_\_\_\_\_

**BUY 4!  
GET  
5!**



WE SUPER CRIME FIGHTERS HAVE  
DONE SUCH A GOOD JOB, THERE  
ARE NO MORE VILLIANS LEFT !

HEY FELLAS,  
WHAT DOES  
**VAGRANCY**  
MEAN ?

# GOOD GUY SECTION

TSK, TSK, AND NOW WE'RE **ALL**  
OUT OF WORK !

DO YOU SUPPOSE WE CAN  
APPLY FOR UNEMPLOYMENT  
COMPENSATION?

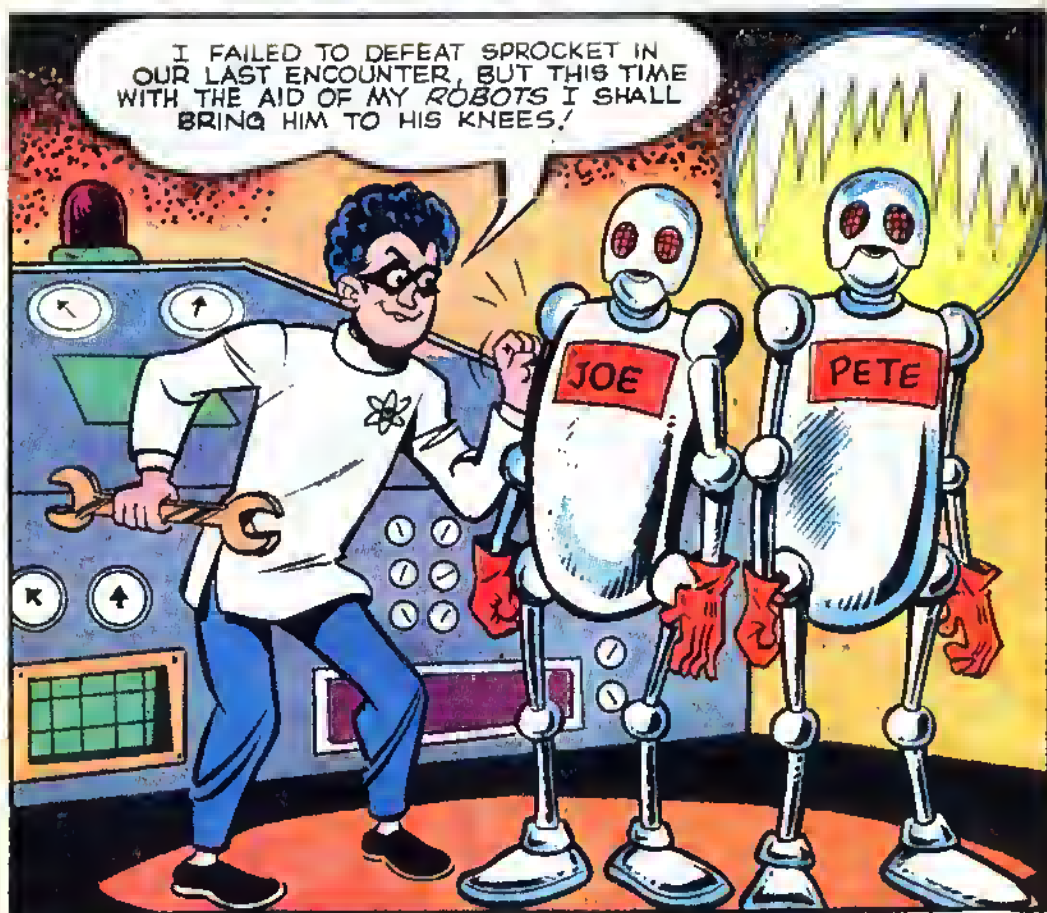
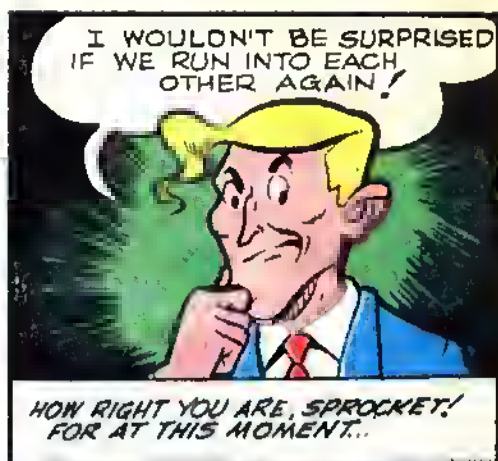
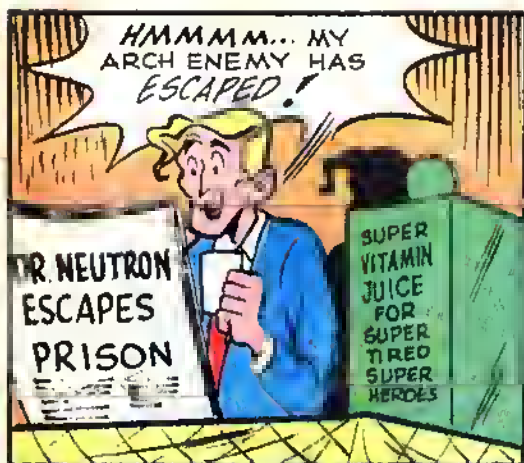
WANTED FOR LITTERING  
  
CLYDE DIDOIT

NO  
HELP  
WANTED

CHEER UP, SUPER GOOD GUYS! **MAD HOUSE**  
WILL DO IT'S BEST TO DIG UP SOME NASTY  
VILLAINS IN ORDER TO KEEP YOU BUSY !



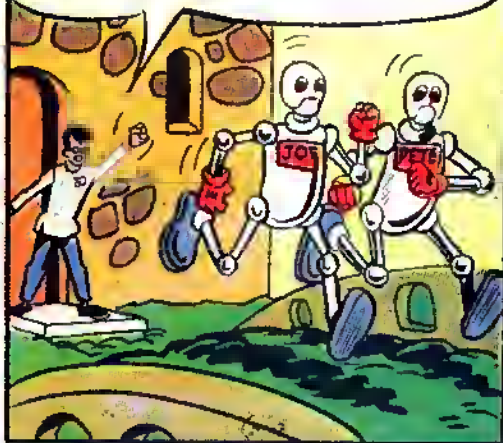




CAPTAIN SPROCKET IN  
**ROBOT REVENGE**



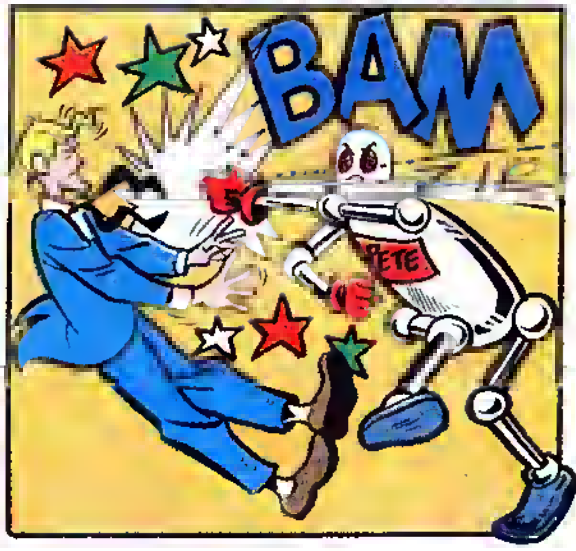
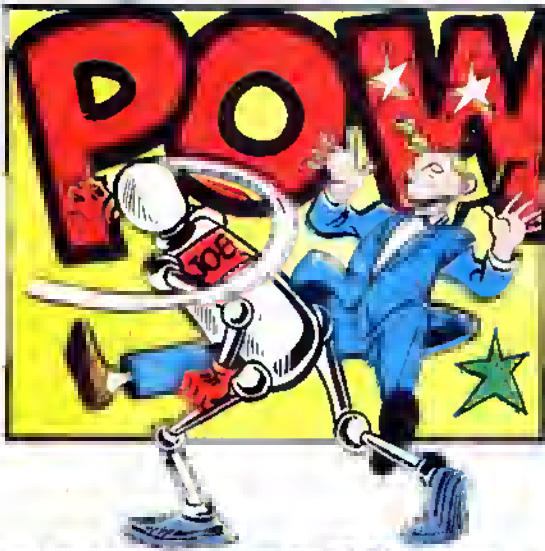
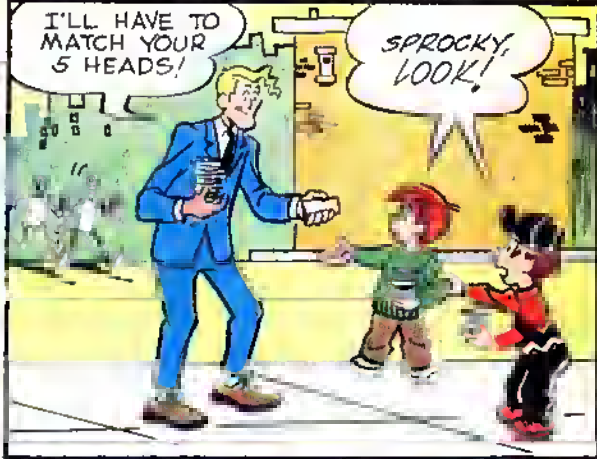
GO TO IT, MY LOVELIES!  
AND DON'T COME BACK UNTIL  
YOU'VE DESTROYED SPROCKET!



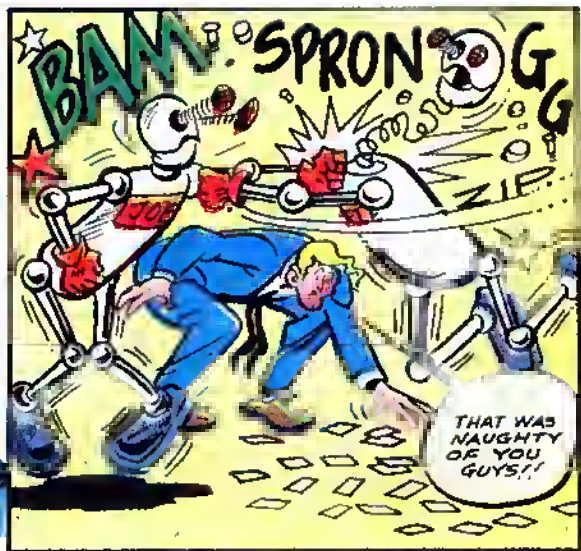
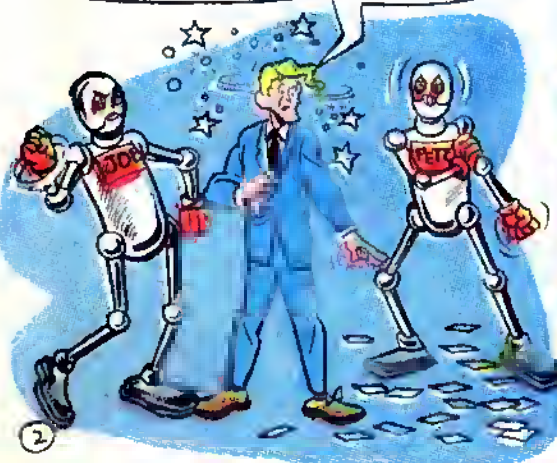
THE HOSTILE ROBOTS SOON TRACK  
DOWN OUR HERO!

I'LL HAVE TO  
MATCH YOUR  
5 HEADS!

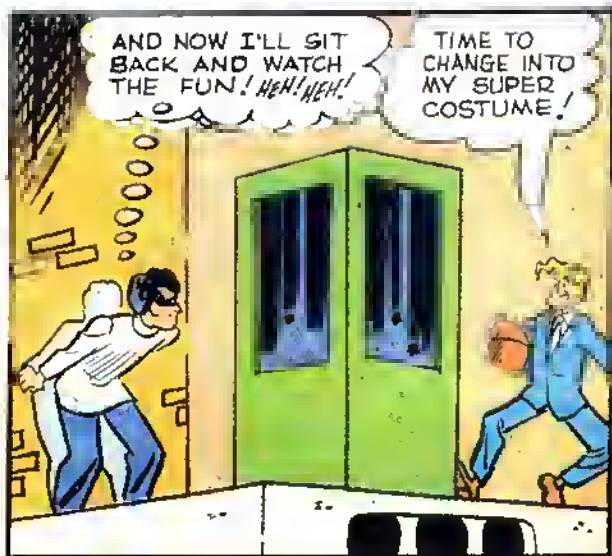
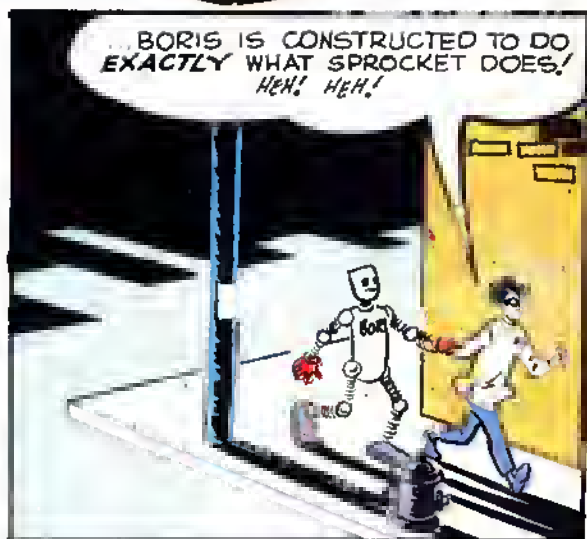
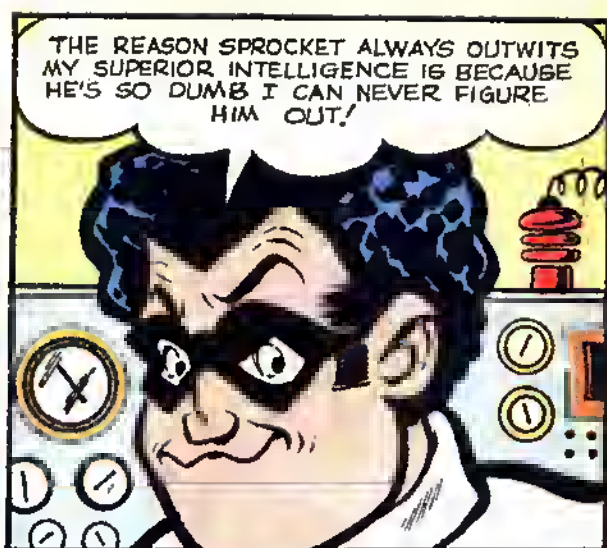
SPROCKY,  
LOOK!



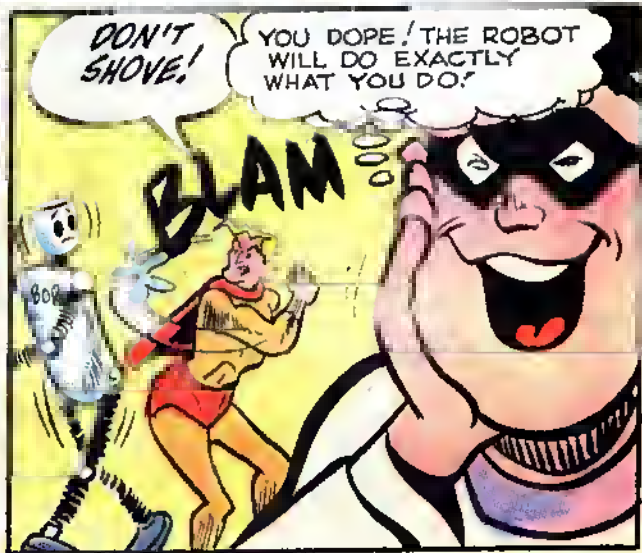
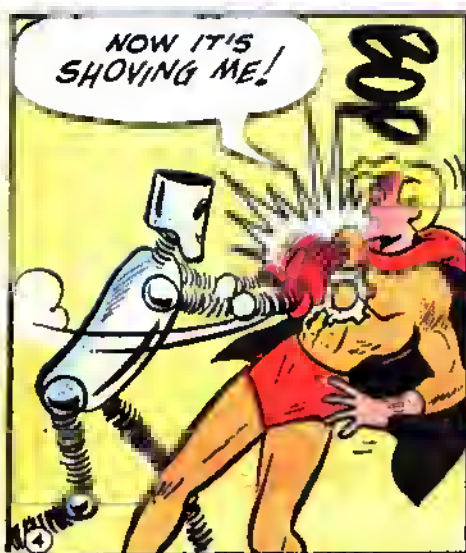
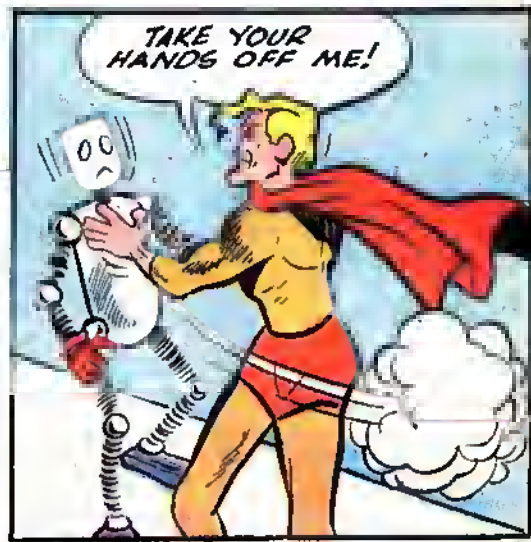
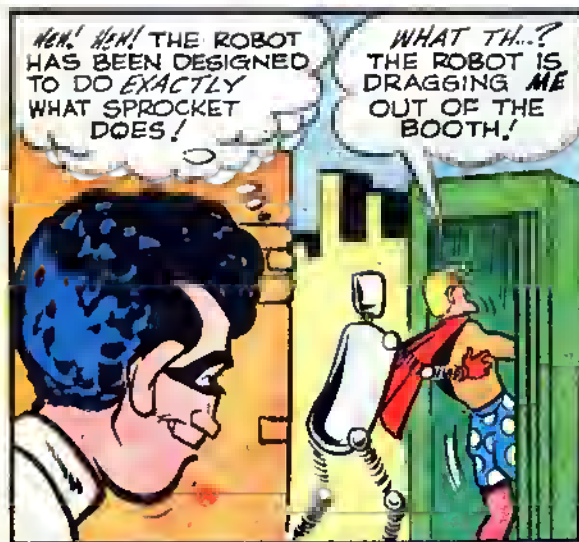
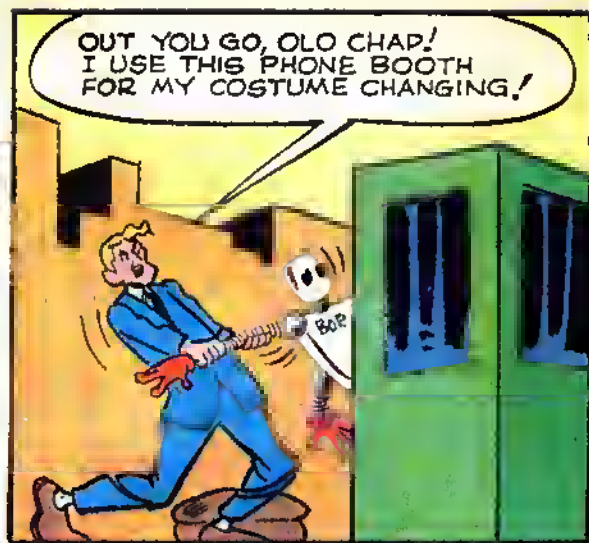
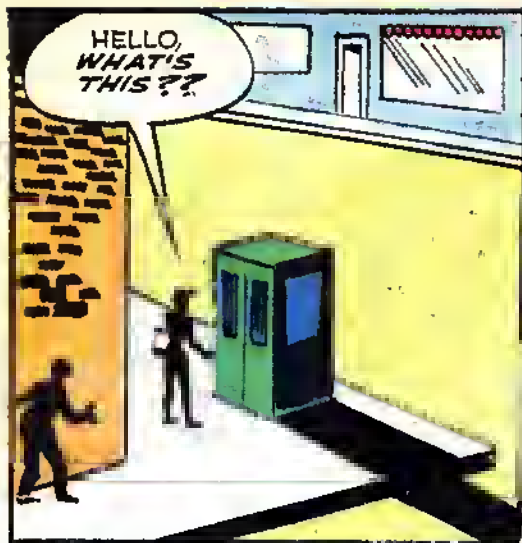
SAY YOU BULLIES!.....YOU MADE  
ME DROP MY BUBBLEGUM CARDS!



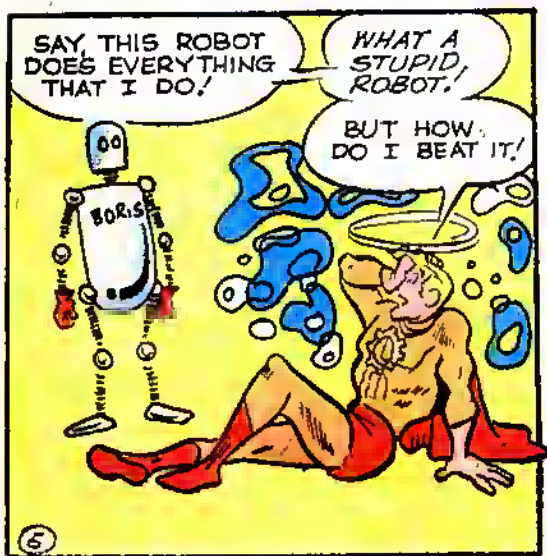
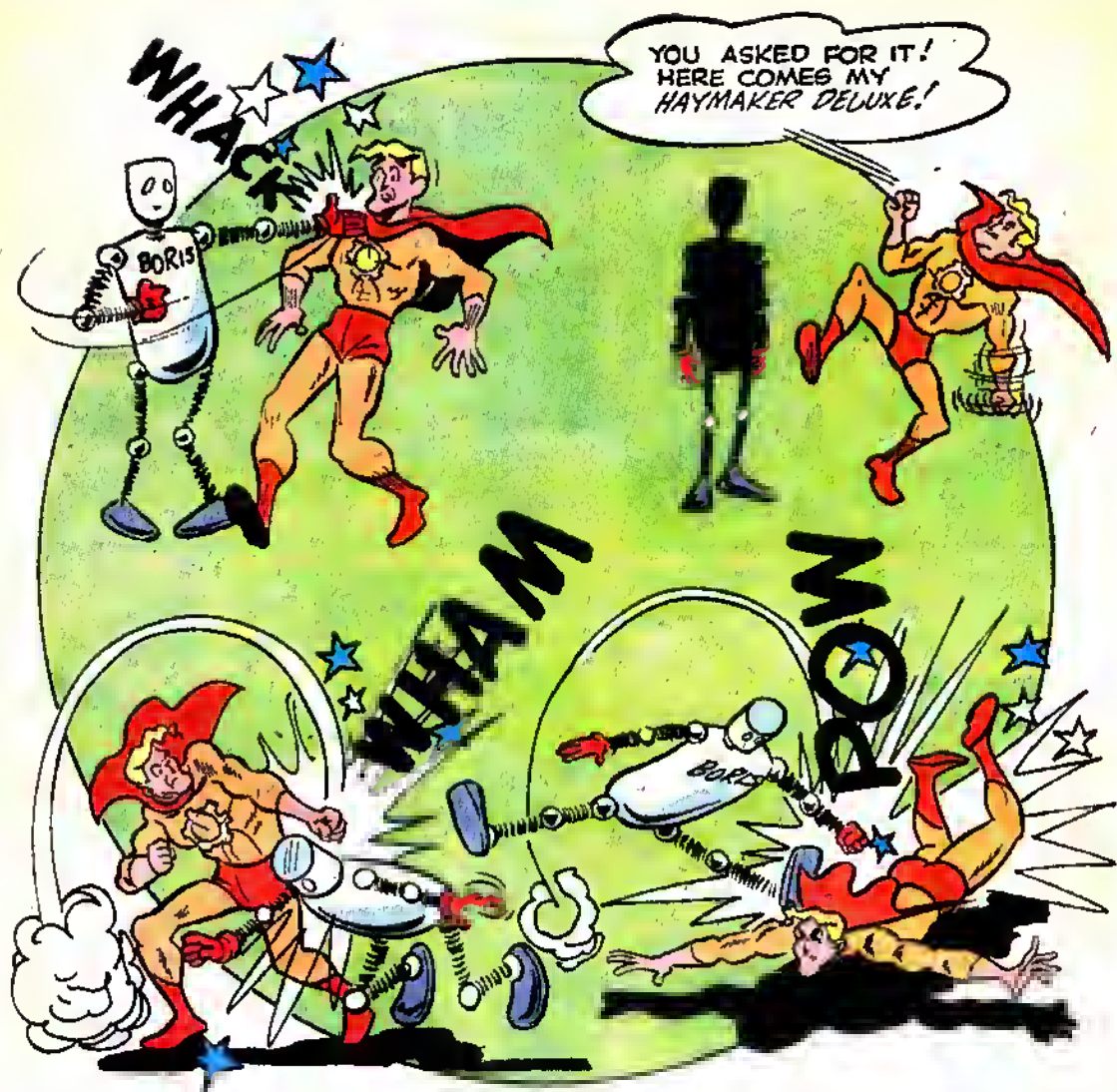




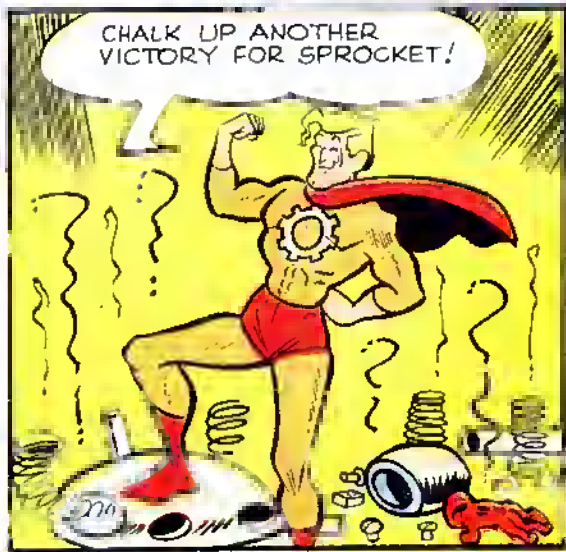
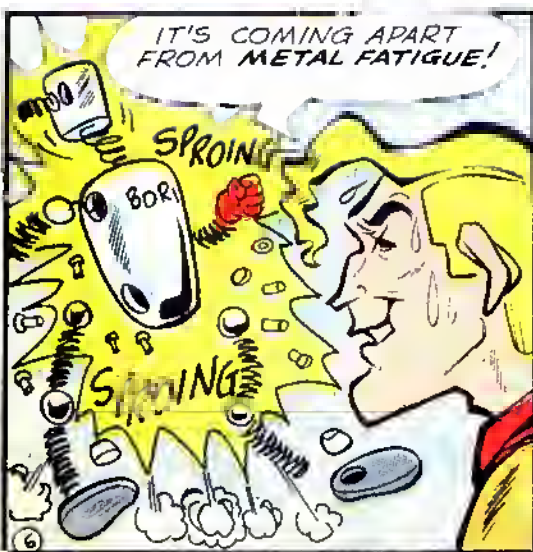
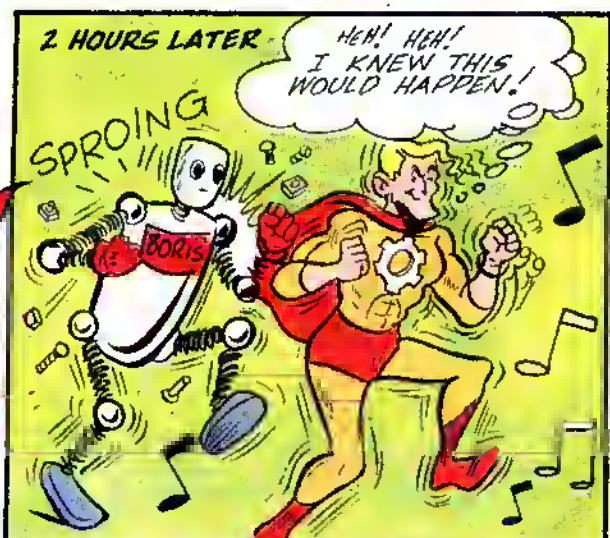
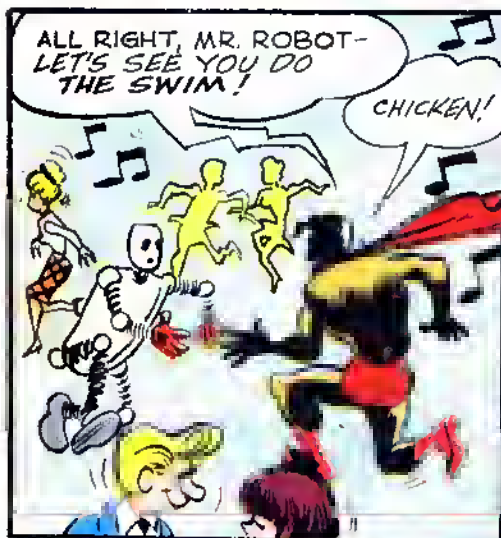
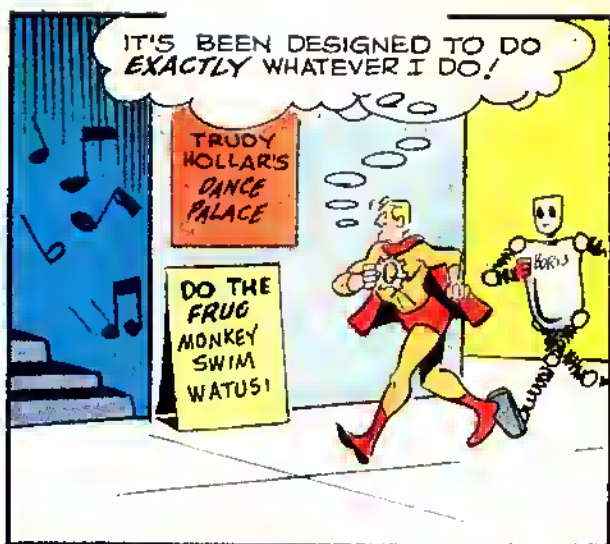
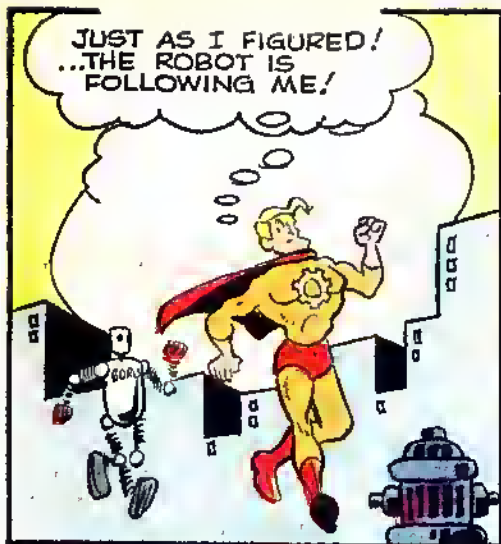




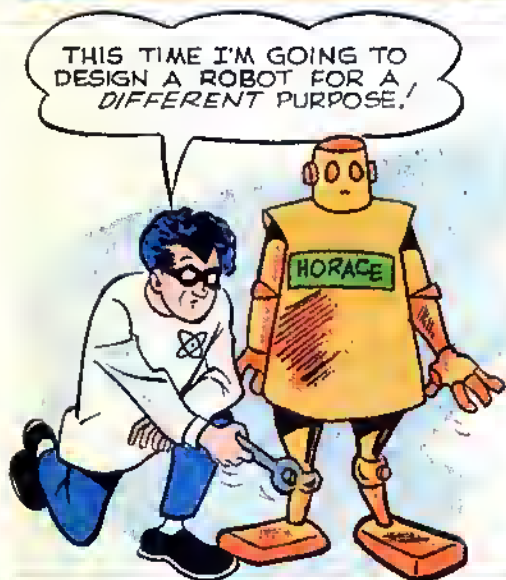
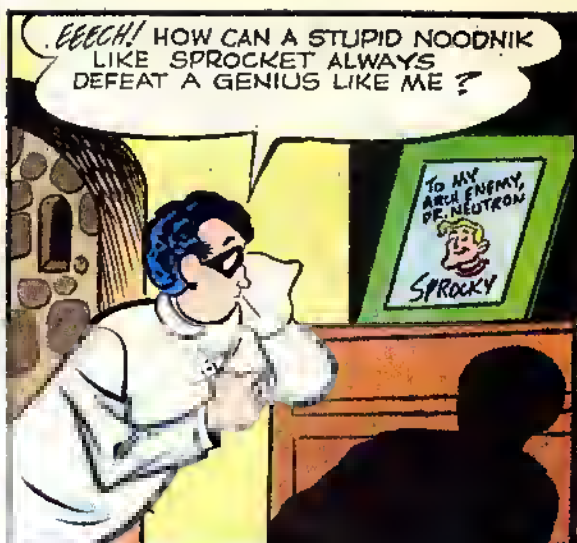
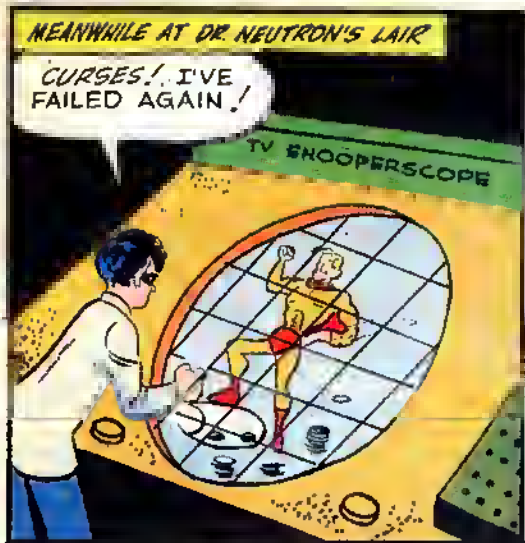














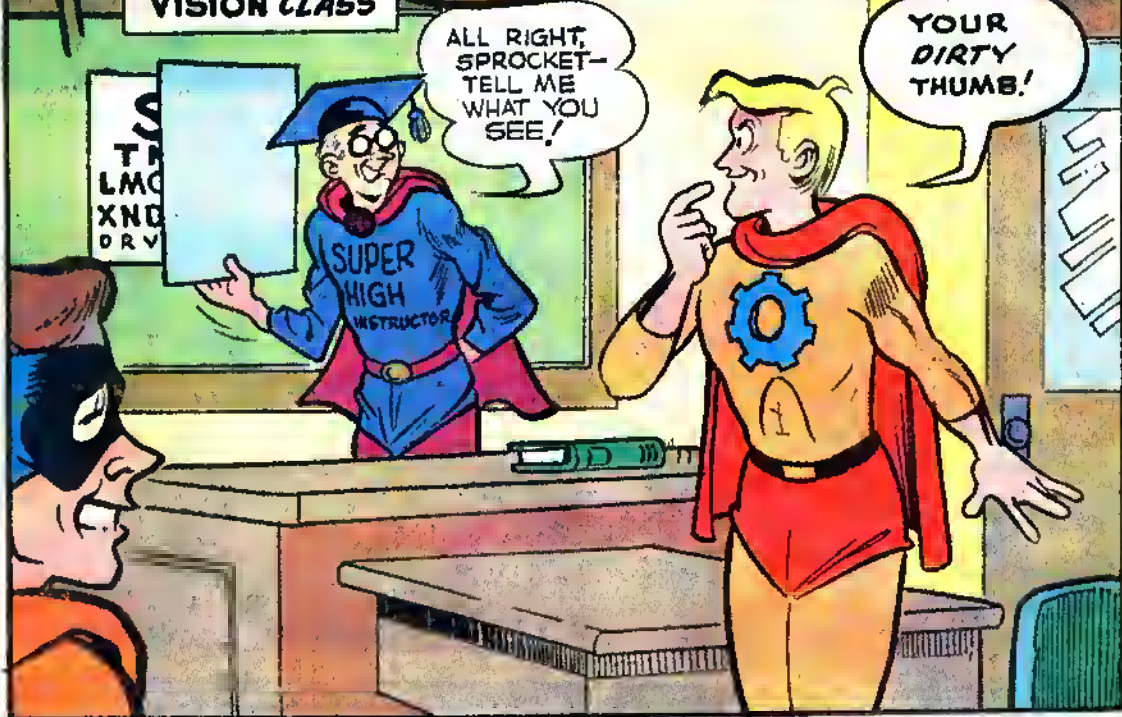
OUR SUPER HERO, CAPTAIN SPROCKET, TAKES YOU BACK TO THE TIME IT ALL STARTED, BACK TO THE TIME HE WAS A YOUNG LAD ATTENDING *SUPER HIGH*, THE SCHOOL FOR *SUPER HEROES*.

# COOL SCHOOL

X-RAY  
VISION CLASS

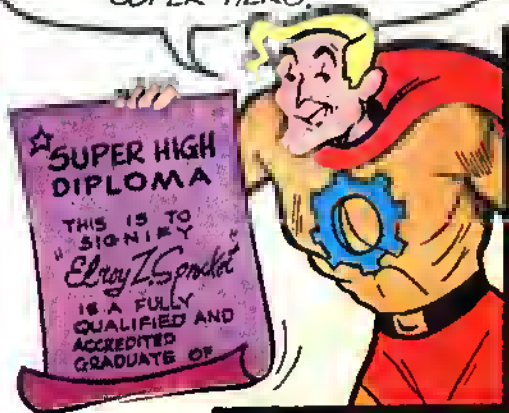
ALL RIGHT,  
SPROCKET—  
TELL ME  
WHAT YOU  
SEE!

YOUR  
DIRTY  
THUMB!



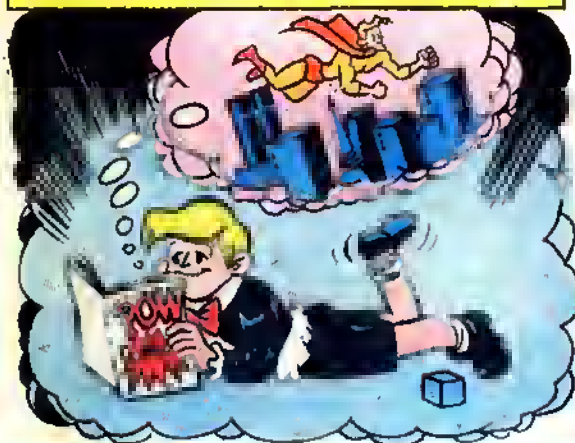
MANY OF YOU READERS HAVE  
BEEN WRITING IN TO SAY I'M A  
*PHONEY SUPER HERO*, JUST  
BECAUSE I DON'T HAVE ANY  
REAL SUPER POWERS!

...WELL, IN THIS STORY I'LL  
PROVE THAT I'M A *QUALIFIED*  
*SUPER HERO*!

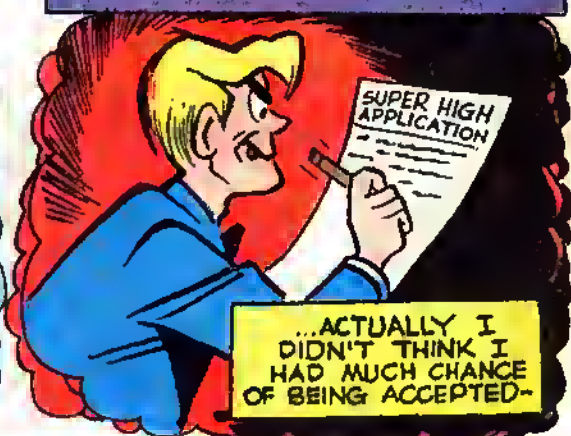




"WHEN I WAS VERY YOUNG, I DREAMED OF BECOMING A SUPER HERO LIKE ALL THE KIDS MY AGE"

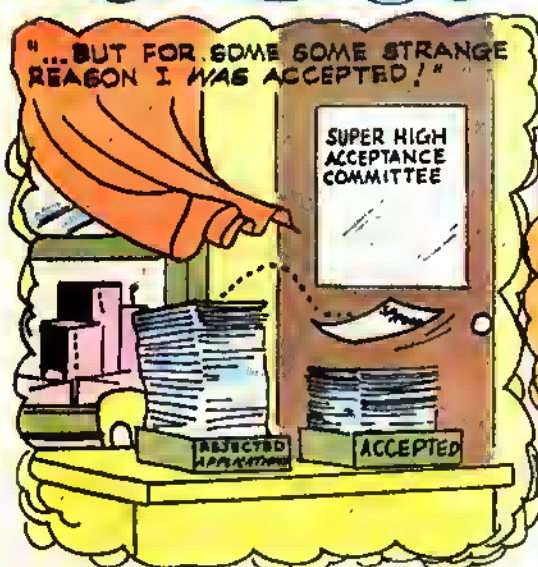


"AND WHEN I HEARD OF A SCHOOL FOR SUPER HEROES ACCEPTING STUDENTS, I WAS BESIDE MYSELF WITH JOY!"

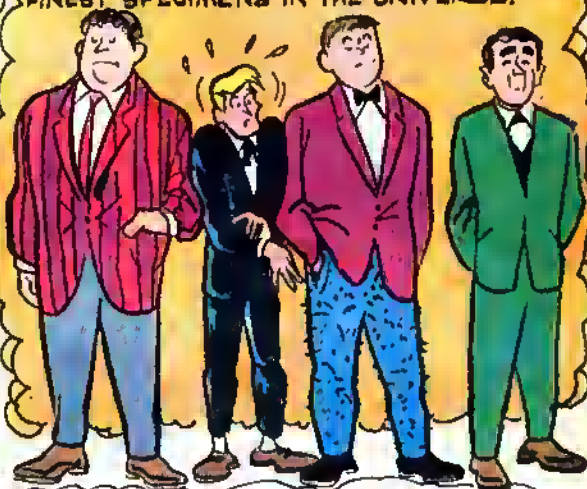


...ACTUALLY I DIDN'T THINK I HAD MUCH CHANCE OF BEING ACCEPTED-

"...BUT FOR SOME SOME STRANGE REASON I WAS ACCEPTED!"



"AND SUDDENLY I FOUND MYSELF ENROLLED AT SUPER HIGH WITH THE FINEST SPECIMENS IN THE UNIVERSE!"



I, WHO HAD TROUBLE WITH ALGEBRA, SUDDENLY FOUND MYSELF IN CLASSES THAT WOULD HAVE TAXED EINSTEIN'S BRAIN!

SPROCKET, WILL YOU DEFINE THE QUANTUM THEORY AS IT PERTAINS TO THE THERMONUCLEAR PROJECTIONS OF ELECTRONIC PIZZA PIE OVENS?

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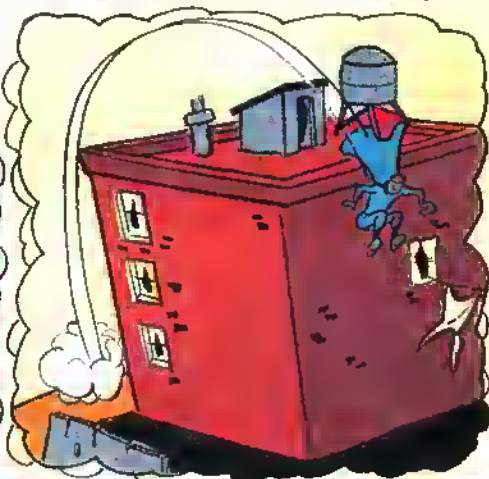
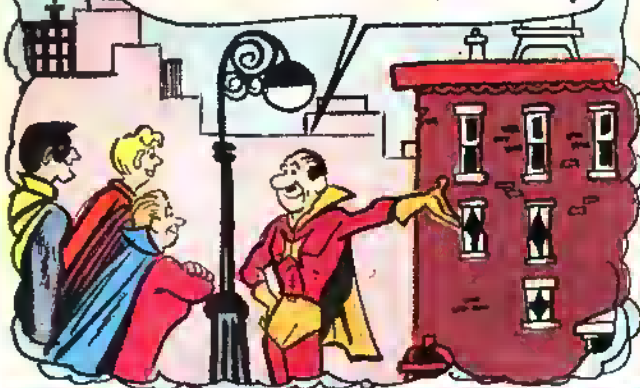




"I WAS ALSO PRETTY MUCH OF A FLOP  
IN THE SUPER STRENGTH CLASSES."

"EVERYBODY DID THE  
ASSIGNMENT WITH EASE!"

ALL RIGHT, STUDENTS!  
TODAY WE JUMP OVER A  
SMALL 3 STORY BUILDING!



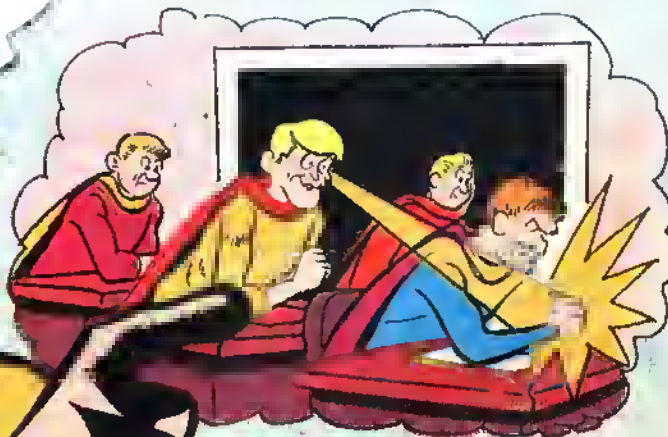
"AND THEN IT WAS MY  
TURN—I GRITTED  
MY TEETH..."

AND JUMPED WITH  
ALL MY MIGHT."



I WAS FLUNKING PRACTICALLY  
EVERY COURSE, EXCEPT FOR  
A FEW COURSES LIKE  
TELESCOPIC VISION.

"BY COPYING MY NEIGHBOR'S TEST  
PAPER I PROVED I HAD EXCELLENT  
TELESCOPIC VISION!"





"AND IN COSTUME CHANGING I WAS AN OUTSTANDING STUDENT!"

WHEN I RING THE BELL I WANT EVERYONE TO CHANGE INTO THEIR *SUPER COSTUMES*!

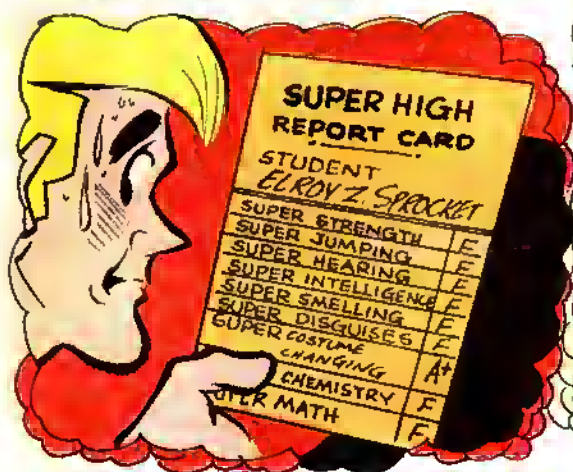


LAST ONE OUT IS A SUPER MONKEY!  
YUK! YUK!

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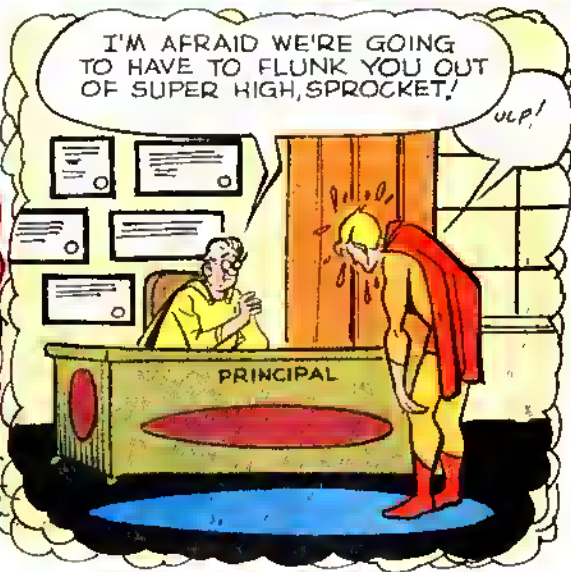


"BUT OVER ALL I HAD TO ADMIT MY REPORT CARD WAS *SUPER TERRIBLE*!"

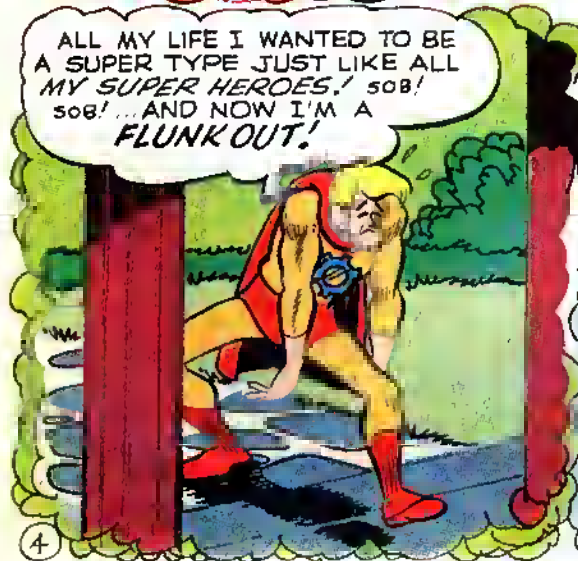


I'M AFRAID WE'RE GOING TO HAVE TO FLUNK YOU OUT OF SUPER HIGH, SPROCKET!

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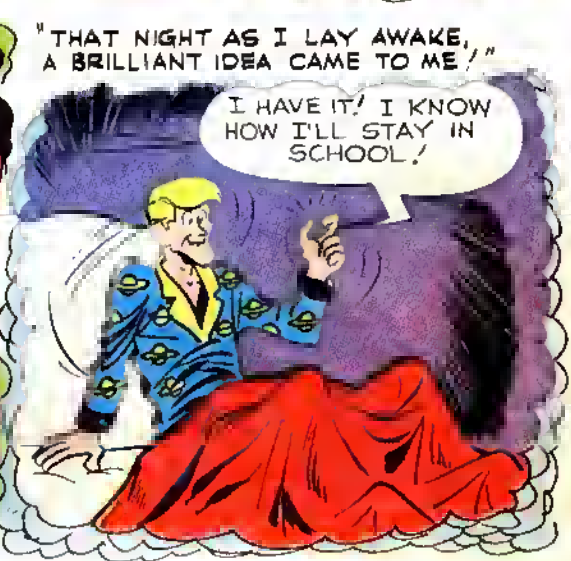


ALL MY LIFE I WANTED TO BE A SUPER TYPE JUST LIKE ALL MY *SUPER HEROES*! SOB! SOB! ... AND NOW I'M A *FLUNK OUT*!



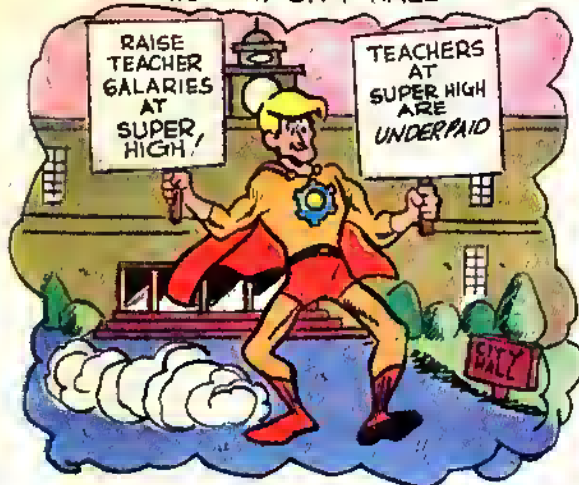
"THAT NIGHT AS I LAY AWAKE, A BRILLIANT IDEA CAME TO ME!"

I HAVE IT! I KNOW HOW I'LL STAY IN SCHOOL!

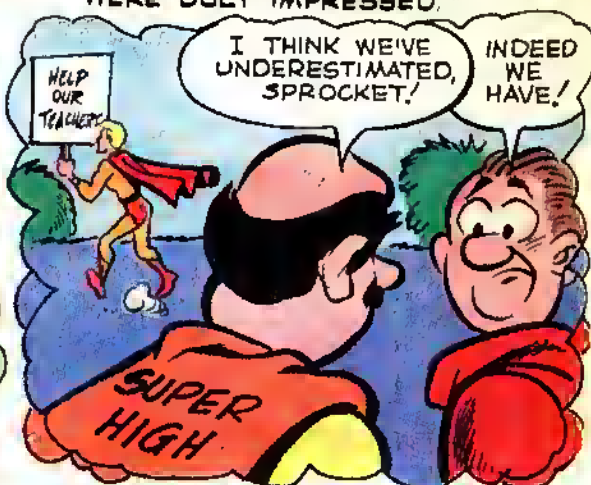




"I STARTED A ONE-MAN  
CAMPAIGN AT CITY HALL--"



"...NEEDLESS TO SAY, MY INSTRUCTORS  
WERE DULY IMPRESSED."

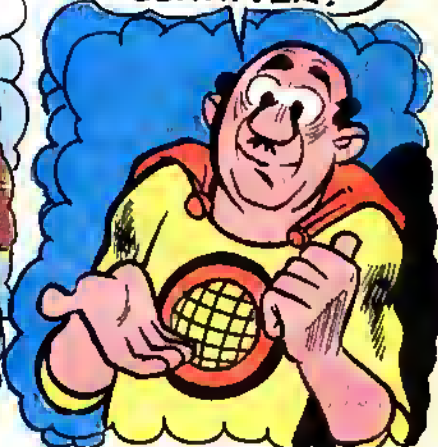
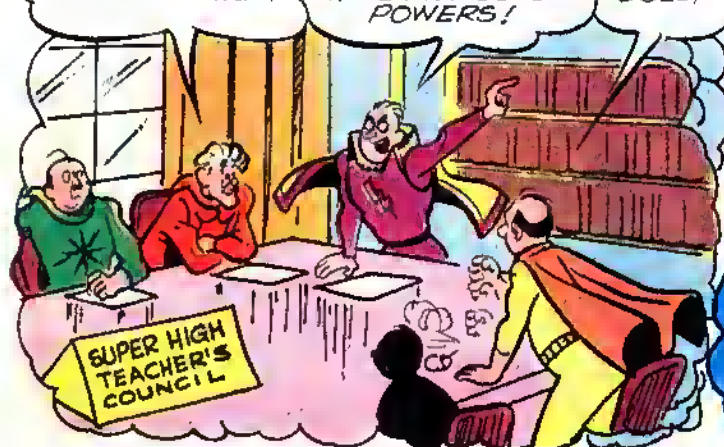


I VOTE WE  
KEEP SPROCKET  
IN **SUPER HIGH!**

BUT HOW CAN  
WE? HE DOESN'T  
HAVE ANY **SUPER  
POWERS!**

YES,  
HE  
DOES!

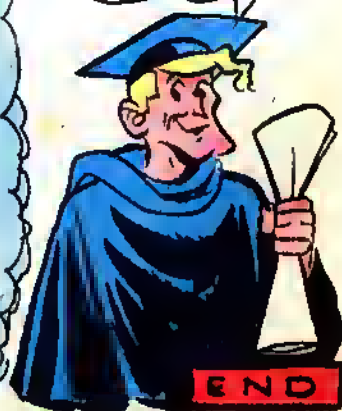
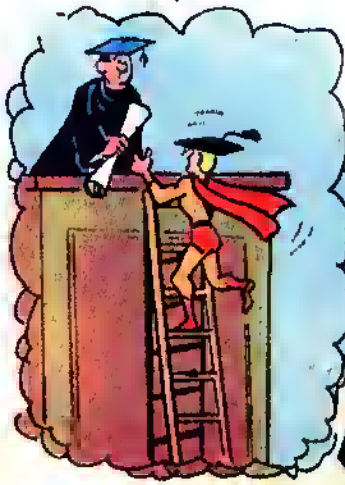
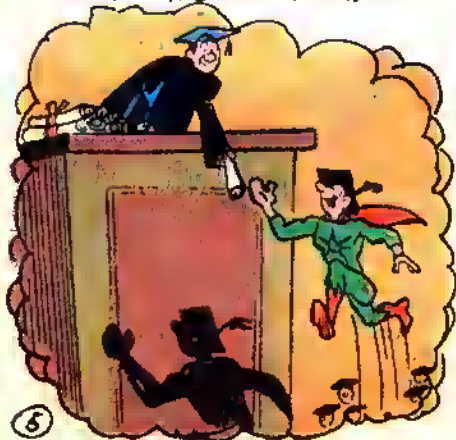
HE'S JUST PROVED  
HE'S A **SUPER  
CONNIVER!**



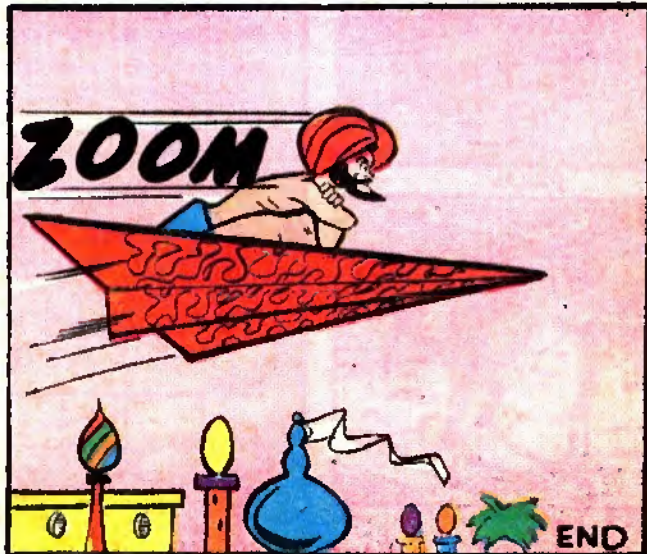
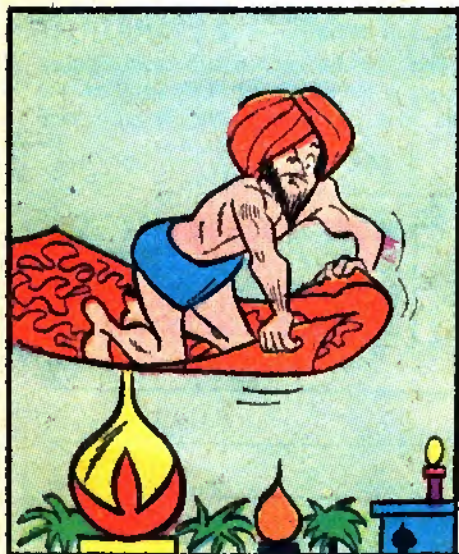
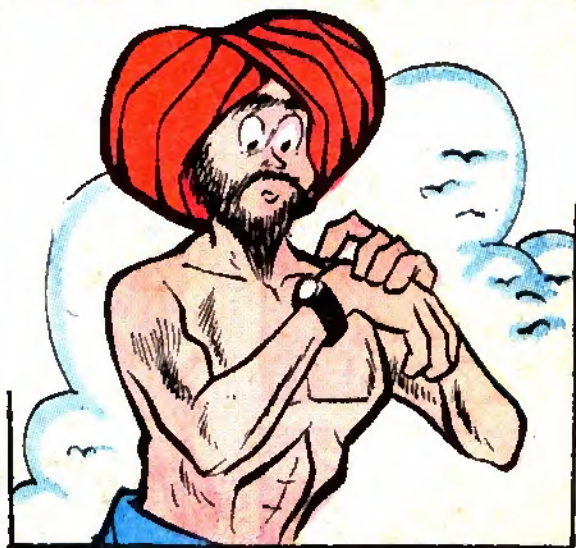
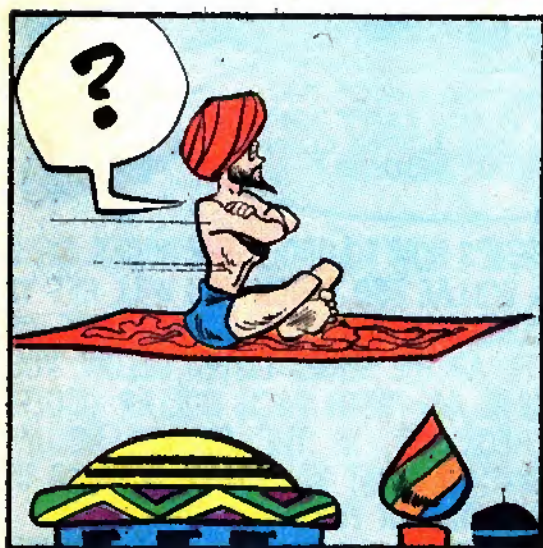
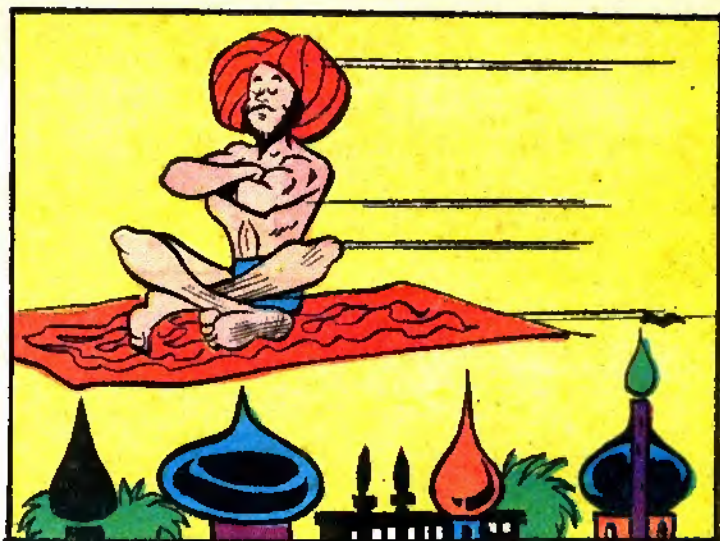
"CAME GRADUATION DAY  
AND EVERYONE WENT  
30 FEET INTO THE AIR  
TO GET HIS DIPLOMA!"

"...INCLUDING  
ME!"

AND THAT'S HOW  
I GRADUATED AT  
THE HEAD OF MY  
CLASS!







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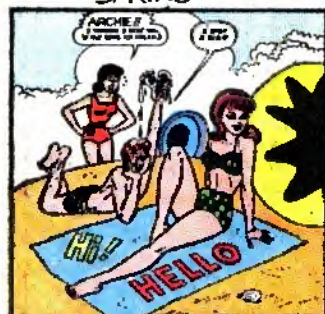


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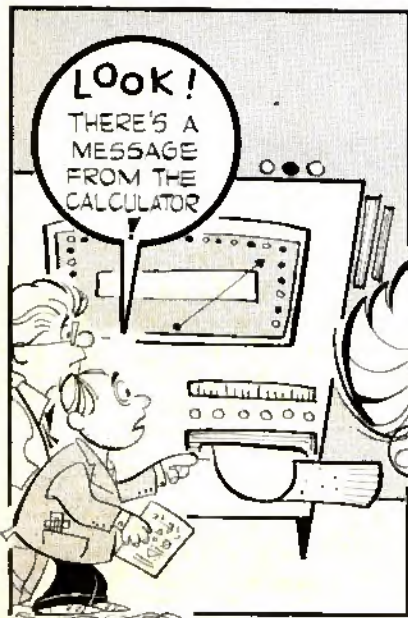
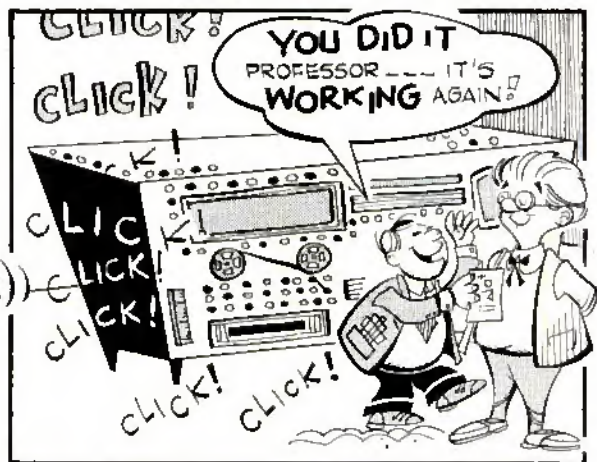
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